

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

FRIDAY, THE EIGHTEENTH DAY OF MARCH
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE D.S.R.VARMA

WRIT PETITION NO : 5656 of 2005

Between:

RR Creation Club rep., by its President Mr.ASR Murthy, s/o AN Murthy, situate at 157/7, Staff Road, R.R.Complex, Opposite to Cantonment Workshop, Sikh Village, Secunderabad.

..... PETITIONER

AND

- 1 The Commissioner of Police, Hyderabad.
- 2 The Deputy Commissioner of Police, North Zone, Hyderabad.
- 3 The Asst.Commissioner of Police, Ramagopalpet Division, Secunderabad.
- 4 State SHO, Karkhana, Secunderabad.

.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue a writ order or order more especially one in the nature of writ of mandamus declaring the action of the respondents in interfering with the lawful activities of the petitioner club in conducting various games and playing rummy in the premises of the petitioner club, as illegal, arbitrary, capricious and violative of Art.14 of the Constitution of India and consequentially direct the respondents and their constables not to interfere with the lawful activities of the petitioner club, including playing rummy within the premises of the petitioner club and pass such other order or orders as are deemed fit and proper in the circumstances of the case.

Counsel for the Petitioner: MR.RAVI SHANKAR JANDHYALA

Counsel for the Respondents: GP FOR HOME

The Court at the stage of admission made the following :

ORAL ORDER:

Heard both sides. Perused the material placed before me.

The grievance of the petitioner is that the respondents are interfering with the lawful activities of the members of the petitioner's club.

Time and again, the Supreme Court as well as this court held that the lawful activities of the members of the Club shall not be interfered with and even rummy was held to be a game of skill, but not a game of chance. Therefore, it is needless to reiterate the judgments rendered by the Supreme Court as well as this Court.

Therefore, the Writ Petition is allowed, with a direction to the respondents, not to interfere with the lawful activities of the petitioner's club. It is made clear that the respondents are always at liberty to interfere with the unlawful activities, if any, found. No costs.

kvsn 18-03-2005

To

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- 5 Two CCs to GP for Home, High Court buildings, Hyderabad.
- 6 Two CD copies.